

MEMBERS OF THE SENATE

Senators elected to serve until Monday after the General Election in Nov. of 2012, 19 Democrats, 26 Republicans, 1 vacancy, Total—46.



ALEXANDER, Thomas C. [R]—(Dist. No. 1, *Oconee-Pickens Cos.*)—Businessman/Owner, Alexander's Off. Supply; residing at 150 Cleveland Dr., Walhalla; *b.* July 25, 1956 in Seneca; *s.* the late Virginia C. and Claude N. Alexander; *g.* Anderson Coll., A.A., 1976; Clemson Univ., B.S., 1978; *m.* Lynda Gibson; Pres., Operator, Oconee Off. Supply; Pres., Operator, Cleveland

Gospel Supply; past Sun. School Supt., 1979–84; mem.: Bd., Blue Ridge Bank; Bd. of Deacons, Walhalla Presbyterian Church, 1980–82, 1984–86, Chm., 1985 and Session 1987–90, Clerk; Walhalla Lions Club, Pres., 1984–85; Lion of Year, 1984–85; Walhalla Sertoma Club, Pres., 1982–83; Walhalla City Council, 1982–85, Mayor *Pro Tempore*; Bd. of Dirs., Walhalla Chamber of Commerce, 1980–83; Bd. of Dirs., Walhalla Downtown Assn., 1985–86, VP; Bd. of Dirs., Carolina Off. Products Assn., 1986–90; prev. serv. in House 1987–94; Sen. Oct. 11, 1994–10.



ANDERSON, Ralph [D]—(Dist. No. 7, *Greenville Co.*)—Retired Postmaster; *m.* Geraldine Lewis, 3 children, Valerie, Ralph, and Joel; Greater Greenville Chamber of Commerce, 1983–85; Family Counseling Serv., 1983–86; Comr., Greenville Civil Serv. Comm., 1969–73; Municipal Assn. of S.C., 1986–88; First VP, Greenville Branch NAACP; City of Greenville Zoning

Bd., 1982–83; Pres., Phyllis Wheatley Bd. of Dirs.; Exec. mem., Appalachian Council of Govts.; Rep. of the City, Greenville Housing Authority Bd.; Bd. mem.: Senior Action Greenville Co.; Sunbelt Human Advancement Resources (SHARE); Comm. Planning Council; The Comm. Foundation of Greater Greenville, Inc.; BB&T Greenville Regional Bd. of Dirs.; Merit Award, Natl. Alliance of Postal & Fed. Employees, 1972;

mem., Bd. of Trustees, St. Anthony's Catholic School, Greenville; Superior Accomplishment Award, Postal Serv., 1972; Cash Awards for Suggestions, five, USPS; Phi Beta Sigma Frat. mem. & Sigma Man of the Year, 1975; Cola. Dist. Award, 1975; Long Branch Baptist Church Award, 1977; Award for Outstanding Serv., City of Greenville, 1976; Citizen of the Year Award, Omega Psi Phi Frat., 1983; W. F. Gibson Freedom Fighter Award, NAACP, 1986; Exceptional Serv. Award, City of Greenville, Parks & Recreation, 1986; Outstanding Achievement in Comm. Serv. Award, Baptist Ministers Fellowship, 1987; Certificate in Appreciation of Noteworthy Commitment to the Dev. of Viable Econ. Opportunity Progs., SHARE, 1989; Black Heritage Award in City Govt., Springfield Baptist Church, 1988; Award for Comm. Support of Affordable Housing in Greenville Co., Comm. Housing Resource Bd. & Co. Human Relations Comm., 1988; Award for Outstanding Serv. in Political Science, Greenville Alumni Chap. of S.C. State Univ.; Whitney Young Humanitarian Award, Greenville Urban League, 1991; represent SCF & the Postal Dist. on Promotion Review Bds. & Postmaster Selection Bds., USPS; Equal Employment Opportunity Specialist, S.C. & parts of Ga., 1969–73; Postmaster, Clemson & Greer, retired after 30 years of serv., 1973–83; City Councilman, City of Greenville, 1983–91; selected as one of the top 25 leaders in 2001, 2002, and 2003 by *The Greenville News* and 600 Comm. Leaders; 3rd Degree Mason; mil. serv.: USA, Non-commissioned Off., Troop Info. & Educ., Fort Jackson & Germany, 1950–52; prev. serv. in House June 25, 1991–96; Sen. 1997–10.

BRIGHT, Lee [R]—(Dist. No. 12, *Spartanburg Co.*)—Transportation; *b.* Mar. 21, 1970 in Greer; *s.* Marvin L. Bright, Jr. and Virginia Bright; *g.* Dorman High School, 1988; July 24, 1993 *m.* Amy Byers, 2 children, Kaylee and Kendyl; Dist. Six School Bd., 1999–03; Bd. of Visitors, Southeastern Theological Seminary; Bd. of Dirs., Palmetto Family Council; Friend of Taxpayer Award, Spartanburg Co. Taxpayers Assn.; Atty. Gens. Comm. on the Family, 2001; William Wallis Caucus; mem., Roebuck Baptist Church; prev. serv. in Sen. 2009–10.





BRYANT, Kevin Lee [R]—(Dist. No. 3, *Anderson Co.*)—Pharmacist; residing at 1104 Harpers Way, Anderson; *b.* Feb. 19, 1967 in Anderson; *s.* Clifford W. and Gloria J. Bryant; *g.* T. L. Hanna High School, 1985; Univ. of Georgia, B.S., 1989; Aug. 26, 1989 *m.* Ann Barinowski, 3 children; Pres., Bryant Pharmacy and Supply, 1995–; Activities Dir., Camp Hope, 1989–;

Recipient Circle Award Pres. George W. Bush, 2004; Treas./Deacon, Concord Comm. Church, 1993–; mem., Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce, 2004–; Chm., Anderson Co. Rep. Party, 1997–01; Del., Rep. Natl. Convention, 2000; VP, 10th Dist. Pharmacy Assn.; Legis. Audit Council, 2005–07; founding mem., William Wallace Caucus, Social Dir., 2005–; Friend of the Taxpayers Award, S.C. Assn. of Taxpayers, 2006; Greater Easley Chamber of Commerce, 2005–; prev. serv. in Sen. 2005–10.



CAMPBELL, Paul G., Jr. [R]—(Dist. No. 44, *Berkeley Co.*)—Retired Regional Pres., Alcoa; Consultant, Paul Campbell, LLC; residing at 150 Loganberry Cir., Goose Creek; *b.* July 10, 1946 in West Jefferson, N.C.; *s.* Paul G. Campbell, Sr. and Edith Winkler Campbell; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.S., Chemical Engineering, 1968; Jacksonville State Univ., M.B.A., 1978; June 29,

1967 *m.* Vicki Garner, 3 children, Christie, Jeremy, and Caroline; Clemson Bd. of Visitors; Engineering Adv. Council at Clemson; Bd. of Govs. for the School of Bus. and Econs. at the Coll. of Charleston; S.C. Bd. for Tech. and Comprehensive Educ.; Trident Tech. Coll. Foundation; past Chair, Bd. of Regents, Leadership S.C., 1993–95; past Pres., Summerville Rotary Club, 1989; past Pres., Berkeley Chamber of Commerce, 1992; past Pres. and Campaign Chair, Trident United Way, 1992; past Pres., Coastal Council of Boy Scouts, 1995–96; past Pres., The Materials Soc. (TMS), 1995, and Amer. Inst. of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers (AIME), 1999; Distinguished Serv. Award, TMS; past Chair, S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 1999; Bd. mem., Exec. Com., Charleston

Metro Chamber of Commerce, 2002; past Chair of S.C. Manufacturers Alliance, 2004; Exec. Com., Bus. and Industry Political Educ. Com. (BIPEC); Bd. of Dirs., First Fin. Holdings and First Fed. of Charleston; S.C. Pub. Serv. Authority; recipient, Order of the Palmetto, 1998; Exec. Com., Charleston Regional Dev. Alliance; Elder, Dorchester Presbyterian Church; prev. serv. in Sen. August 7, 2007–10.

CAMPSEN, George E. III “Chip” [R]—(Dist. No. 43, Berkeley-Charleston Cos.)—

Businessman and Atty.; residing at 28 Waterway Island Dr., Isle of Palms; *b.* Mar. 30, 1959 in Charleston; *s.* the late George E., Jr. and the late Myrtle S. “Snap” Campsen; *g.* Wando High School, 1977; Furman Univ., B.S., 1981; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1988, M.S., 1989; 1987 *m.* Lalla Lee Laffitte,



2 children, George and Boyce; S.C. Bar Assn.; S.C. Real Estate Broker's License; 100-Ton U.S. Coast Guard Capt.'s License; Exec. VP, Fort Sumter Tours, Inc., 1985–; Partner, Campsen and Campsen Attys. at Law, 1989–; Commercial Real Estate Broker, Batten, Hudson, and Tarrant, 1983–85; Passenger Vessel Capt., Fort Sumter Tours, Inc., 1978–82; Chm., Charleston Co. Sen. Delegation, 2006–; Senior Policy Advisor to Gov. Mark Sanford, 2002–03; Co-Chm. and Spokesman, Gov. Mark Sanford's Transition Team, 2002–03; S.C. Coll. Investment Prog. Adv. Com., 2001–02; Deacon, Church Council, and Teacher, East Cooper Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 1997–02; Sen. 2005–10.

CLEARY, Raymond Edwin III [R]—(Dist. No. 34, Charleston-Georgetown-Horry Cos.)—

Dentist; residing at 3577 Marion Lane, Murrells Inlet; *b.* Aug. 13, 1948 in Cincinnati, Ohio; *s.* Raymond E. and Rita Eileen Cleary; *g.* Ohio State Univ., B.A., 1970; Ohio State Coll. of Dentistry, D.D.S., 1973; Aug. 8 *m.* A. Lisa Macklen; Adv. Bd., HGTC Dental Hygiene; Rotary;



Kiwanis; Lions Club; mil. serv.: USAF, Capt.; prev. serv. in Sen. 2005–10.



COLEMAN, Creighton B. [D]—(Dist. No. 17, *Chester-Fairfield-Union-York Cos.*)—Atty.; residing at 125 S. Garden St., Winnsboro; *b.* May 12, 1956 in Winnsboro; *s.* the late George F. and Lucy Davis Coleman; *g.* The Citadel, B.A., 1979; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1985; Feb. 10, 1990 *m.* Marian Walker McNair, 3 children, Creighton B., Jr., Chandler McNair, and Marion Walker;

Class Pres., The Citadel, 1979; Fifth Judicial Circuit Prosecutor, 1985–90; Sixth Circuit Prosecutor, 1990–92; admitted to Fourth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals, Jan. 1993; Com. of Disciplinary Procedures, S.C. Bar, 1992–95; Vestry at St. John's Episcopal Church, 1997–99; Chm., Fairfield Co. Dem. Party, 1998; Public Defenders Bd. for Chester and Fairfield Cos.; prev. serv. in House 2001–08; Sen. 2009–10.



COURSON, John E. [R]—(Dist. No. 20, *Lexington-Richland Cos.*)—Senior VP, Kennan & Suggs; *b.* Nov. 21, 1944; *g.* Univ. of S.C., 1968; *m.* Elizabeth Poinsett Exum, 3 children, James Poinsett, Elizabeth Boykin, and Harris Russell; Episcopalian; mil. serv.: USMCR; prev. serv. in Sen. 1985–10.



CROMER, Ronnie W. [R]—(Dist. No. 18, *Lexington-Newberry-Saluda Cos.*)—Pharmacist; residing in Prosperity; *b.* Dec. 1, 1947 in Newberry; *s.* Mable S. and the late William R. Cromer; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1973; Aug. 30, 1969 *m.* Linda Epting, 2 children, Candace and Heather; mem.: Prosperity Town Council, 1973–80; Newberry Co. Dev. Bd., 1993–00; S.C. Bd. of

Pharmacy, 1994–00; mil. serv.: Lt. Col. (Ret.), SCARNG, 30 years; prev. serv. in Sen. Apr. 15, 2003–10.

DAVIS, Tom [R]—(Dist. No. 46, *Beaufort Co.*)—Atty.; residing in Beaufort; *b.* May 31, 1960; *s.* G. Thomas and Yvonne C. Davis; *g.* Furman Univ., B.A., 1982, *magna cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, Ulmer Medal; Univ. of Maryland School of Law, J.D., 1985, Order of the Coif, Sobeloff Prize for Outstanding Constitutional Law Scholarship, graduated with highest honors; Jan. 5, 1985 *m.* Reid Lawrence, 3 children, Elizabeth, Grace, and Claire; admitted to S.C. Bar, 1985; practiced law at Harvey & Battey, P.A., 1985–; former mem. of Bd. of Dirs.: Historic Beaufort Foundation, Greater Beaufort Chamber of Commerce, Beaufort Co. Planning Bd., Lowcountry Council of Govts., Beaufort-Jasper Water & Sewer Authority, and S.C. State Ports Authority; co-managed Mark Sanford's 2002 and 2006 gubernatorial campaigns; served in Gov. Mark Sanford's admin. and chief of staff; chaired the bi-state Jasper Port negotiating com.; prev. serv. in Sen. 2009–10.



ELLIOTT, Dick [D]—(Dist. No. 28, *Dillon-Horry-Marion-Marlboro Cos.*)—Real Estate—Vacation Rentals, Golf Courses, Sales, Dev.; residing in N. Myrtle Beach; *b.* Sept. 26, 1935; *s.* Marvin and Ara Elliott; attended Wingate Junior Coll., 1956–58; *g.* Clemson Univ., 1960; Jan. 9, 1961 *m.* Anne Anderson, 3 children, Richard, David, and Angela; VC, Horry Co. Council, 1976–80; mem.: Myrtle Beach Chamber of Commerce; Bd. of Visitors, Presbyterian Coll.; United Way of Horry Co. Bd.; Mason; Shriner; N. Myrtle Beach Tourism Com.; Lions Club; Horry Co. Airport Comm., Exec. Bd.; S.C. Assn. of Cos., 6th Congressional Dist. Tourism Comm.; N. Myrtle Beach City Council, 1962–65; Bd., Grand Strand Water & Sewer Authority, 1971–76; Area III Vocational School Bd., 1971–76; Adv. Bd., Natl. Bank of S.C., N. Myrtle Beach Region; Dep. Dist. Gov., 1976–77, Dist. Gov., 1977–78; former Chm., Horry-Georgetown-Williamsburg Planning Servs. Admin.; N. Myrtle Beach School Bd. of Trustees & Ocean Dr. Planning & Dev. Bd.; Dir., Co. T.B. Assn.; past Pres., N. Myrtle Beach Jaycees; Developer & Major



Owner of Eagle Nest Golf Club, Eagle Nest Estates & Beachwood Golf Club; Pres., BDY Investment Systems; Asst. Sun. School Supt. & mem., Bd. of Deacons, Ocean Dr. Presbyterian Church; prev. serv. in House Dec. 7, 1982–92; Sen. 1993–10.



FAIR, Michael L. [R]—(Dist. No. 6, *Greenville Co.*)—Ins.; residing in Greenville; *b.* June 16, 1946; *s.* Paul L. and Hazel C. Fair; *g.* Univ. of S.C.; July 8, 1969 *m.* Judy T. Hodge, 1 child, Meredith; mem., *Greenville Co. Council*, 1976–82; *Chm.*, *Corrections & Penology Com.*; *Sen. Fin. Com.*; *Sen. Fin. Subcom.*; *Chm. on Public Safety, Med. Affairs Com.*; *Chm. of the Jt. Citizens Com. on Children; Legis. Audit Council; Educ. Com.*; *Educ. Oversight Com.*; *Trustee State Bd. of First Steps; Fish, Game and Forestry Com.*; *Chm.*, *Greenville Co. Legis. Delegation*; prev. serv. in House 1984–95; Sen. Nov. 7, 1995–10.



FORD, Robert [D]—(Dist. No. 42, *Charleston Co.*)—Developer; residing at P.O. Box 21302, Charleston; *b.* Dec. 26, 1948 in New Orleans, La.; attended Grambling State Univ. and Wayne State Univ.; single; *Charleston City Councilman*, 1974–92; mem., *SCLC Staff*, 1966–72; arrested 73 times during civil rights movement; *Harvey Gantt Triumphant Award*, 1991; *Legislator of the Year*, *S.C. Physical Therapy Assn.*, 1994; *Charleston Co. Council*, 1974–93; *Who's Who Among Black Elected Officials*; *Who's Who Among Amer. Politicians and Statesmen*; mem.: *Sen. Corrections & Penology Com.*; *Jud. Com.*; *Labor, Commerce & Industry Com.*; *Banking & Ins. Com.*; *Rules Com.*; *S.C. Legis. Black Caucus*; *Chm.*, *Civil Rights and Affirmative Action Com.*; mem., *United Methodist Church*; prev. serv. in Sen. 1993–10.

GROOMS, Lawrence Kelly “Larry” [R]—(Dist. No. 37, *Berkeley-Charleston-Colleton-Dorchester Cos.*)—Pres./CEO GTI; g. Clemson Univ., B.S., 1987; m. Carol Anderson, 3 children; Christian, *Saved by Grace*, April 1987; Bd. of Visitors, Charleston Southern Univ., 1996–; Bd. mem., United Methodist Relief Center, 2003–08; Exec. Comm., Berkeley Co. Rep. Party, 1996–08; Life mem.: Natl. Rifle Assn.; Natl. Assn. of Texaco and Shell Marketers; Significant Contribution Award, MADD, 1998; Legis. Achievement Award, Charleston More Than a Port, 2002; Legis. Appreciation Award, Agric. Comm. of S.C., 2002; Raising the Standard Award, Heritage Comm. Servs., 2003; Natl. Legis. Impact Award, Natl. Abstinence Clearinghouse, 2004; Outstanding Senator Award, Amer. Legion Dept. of S.C., 2004; Legislator of the Year, Carolina’s Independent Automobile Dealers Assn., 2004; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Public Charter School Assn., 2004; Friend to the Taxpayer Award, S.C. Assn. of Taxpayers, 2004; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Farm Bureau, 2005; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Poultry Fed., 2006; Humane State Legislator Award, Humane Soc. of U.S., 2006; Bd. mem., Southern Methodist Coll., 2006–; Adv. Bd. mem., Natl. Council on Bible Curriculum, 2007–; Legis. Serv. Award, Sweetgrass Market Place Coalition, 2007; Palmetto Leadership Award, S.C. Policy Council, 2007–08; Sen. Legis. Champion, Palmetto Family Council (for outstanding leadership in the defense of faith, family, and freedom), 2007–08; Legislator of the Year, Construction Network of the Carolinas, 2008; The Westendorff Award for Serv. to Those in Need, United Methodist Relief Center, 2008; Legislator of the Year, Maritime Assn. of S.C., 2008 and 2009; Friend of Transit Award, Transportation Assn. of S.C., 2009; Bus. Advocate Award, S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 2010; Legis. serv. recognition, Boeing, 2010; Panama Canal Authority recognition, Canal de Panamá, 2010; Deacon Bd. past Chm., First Baptist Church, St. Stephen; prev. serv. in Sen. Nov. 4, 1997–10.

